## Rollins, Christopher

From: Noggle, William

Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2013 8:58 AM

To: Rollins, Christopher

Subject: RE: Call with Sen. Mark Begich's Office Regarding Cutter Storis

## Chris,

I'm forwarding the meeting invite to our PCB attorney, my DD, and our congressional liason. Besides the current status of the Storis, what else does Begich's office want to know? What is our response? Can we have a pre-call with everyone at 1:30pm EST?

Thanks, Bill

-----Original Appointment-----

From: Rollins, Christopher On Behalf Of Maier, Brent

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 29, 2013 11:12 AM

To: Noggle, William

**Subject:** FW: Call with Sen. Mark Begich's Office Regarding Cutter Storis

When: Tuesday, October 29, 2013 2:00 PM-2:45 PM (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

Where: Conference Room #19

William,

There is a call to the Senator Begich's scheduled for 11 am PST. I wanted to know if you want to be on that call?

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----Original Appointment----

From: Maier, Brent

**Sent:** Monday, October 28, 2013 1:00 PM

To: Maier, Brent; McDaniel, Doug; Rollins, Christopher; Jones, Joel E.; Snyder, Raquel; Schuster, Cindy; Deitz, Randy;

Yoqi, David

**Subject:** Call with Sen. Mark Begich's Office Regarding Cutter Storis

When: Tuesday, October 29, 2013 11:00 AM-11:45 AM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada).

Where: Conference Room #19

## A11 -

Please note the change in time for the call today which is now scheduled for 11:00am PT (2:00pm ET). I have set up a conference line for us to use for this discussion with Bob King in Sen. Mark Begich's office regarding the Coast Guard Cutter Storis, and am providing both the call-in number and access code to join the call. Once all the EPA folks are on the line, I will then conference in Bob King at his direct line he provided me.

Region IX participants can meet in conference room #1908 for call.

Dial-In Number: (866) 299-3188

Conference Code: 4159721596#

Leader PIN (for use only by Brent Maier to initiate the call)

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Thanks Brent. Got your v/m but am stuck in staff meeting. Might I suggest 10 am PT tomorrow for the call. 11 PT would also work. Thanks getting back. My direct here in DC is 202-224-0319.

**Thanks** 

**Bob King** 

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: Maier, Brent

Sent: Monday, October 28, 2013 3:31 PM

To: King, Bob (Begich)

**Cc:** McDaniel, Doug; Rollins, Christopher; Jones, Joel E.; Snyder, Raquel **Subject:** Cutter Storis - Follow Up Regarding Potential Call with EPA Region IX

Bob -

Your message to Arvin Ganesan in EPA HQ was redirected to our San Francisco Regional Office. I left you a voicemail and if you have some time available on Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, we could set up a call to discuss what our office knows regarding the Coast Guard Cutter Storis. Colleagues in our Enforcement Division's Waste Section as well as my counterpart in HQ Congressional would be the participants in this discussion. Please let me know what time(s) you might have available on Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup> and I can follow up with you to confirm.

Regards,

## Brent Maier

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From: King, Bob (Begich) [mailto:Bob King@begich.senate.gov]

**Sent:** Monday, October 28, 2013 9:08 AM

**To:** Ganesan, Arvin **Cc:** Rollins, Christopher **Subject:** Cutter Storis

Arvin,

I understand the EPA is in contact with Pacific Tugboat company of San Diego regarding the decommissioned Coast Guard Cutter STORIS. The company is towing the WWII vintage cutter to Ensenada, Mexico for scrapping.

We have been provided information that the cutter is not PCB-free as had been previously considered. A 2000 inspection found encapsulated PCBs above 50 ppm were detected in at least two samples of foam insulation. I am told that export of such a contamination is prohibited by Toxic Substances Control Act and the Basel Convention.

Senator Begich has a long standing interest in this vessel. We hope EPA considers this information seriously before determining its disposition.

Can you please inform me of the current status of the STORIS tow and any change in its status.

Thank you,

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